

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION**

MONSANTO COMPANY and
MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

E.I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND CO. and
PIONEER HI-BRED INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. 09-cv-0686 (ERW)

**DEFENDANTS' STATUS REPORT REGARDING THE PARTIES' MEET AND
CONFER EFFORTS PURSUANT TO THE COURT'S MARCH 18, 2011 ORDER**

As set forth in the Court's March 18 Order, the parties met and conferred on March 21, 2011 for 1.5 hours. Both Ms. Ben-Ami and Mr. Lombardi participated along with their colleagues. The parties are still in disagreement regarding fundamental issues relating to Monsanto's discovery obligations as set forth in the Court's March 18 Order. Monsanto agreed to look into some limited issues raised by DuPont & Pioneer and both parties agreed to continue the meet and confer on Wednesday, March 23. DuPont & Pioneer respectfully request the Court to allow it to report the results of the meet and confer to the Court on Thursday, March 24, 2011.

Dated: March 22, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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